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Mr. E.B. King, President
Jumbo Mining Company
6305 Fern Spring Cove
Austin, TX 78730

Re: Western States Minerals
Status of Drum Mine

Dear Mr. King:

At your request, this letter is written to answer your questions concerning the current status of the Western States Minerals, Drum Mine with regard to the Bureau of Water Pollution Control.

1. Drum Mine has ten (10) heap leach pads, six (6) of which were constructed without obtaining a construction permit from the Bureau of Water Pollution Control. We are currently requesting construction information concerning these unauthorized pads to determine if any environmental impacts may have occurred.

Also, we do not know how the legal issues concerning the unauthorized construction of the heap leach pads will be resolved.

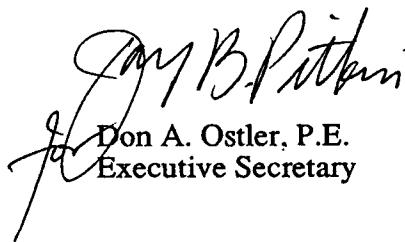
2. Your proposal to obtain ownership of the Drum Mine from Western States Minerals and to remove some of the leached ore from the pads, recrush it and replace it for additional leaching would be acceptable:
 - a. If activity is limited to those heap leach pads whose construction was authorized by construction permits.
 - b. Upon submittal and approval of plans and specifications to define the scope and details of the proposed project.
3. Your proposal to obtain ownership of the Drum Mine from Western States Minerals and to place new ore on top of the existing heap leach pads to a total height not to exceed 40 feet would be acceptable:
 - a. If activity is limited to those heap leach pads whose construction was authorized by construction permits.
 - b. upon submittal and approval of plans and specifications to define the scope and details of the proposed project.

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Please call Mack Croft or Charlie Dietz if there are any questions.

Sincerely,

Utah Water Pollution Control Committee



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